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By His Excellency
Thomas Chittenden
Governor. Captain General and Commander in
Chief in and over the State of Vermont
A PROCLAMATION

It being the incumbent Duty of all People, at all Times, to
own their Dependence upon and manifest their gratitude
to the supreme Disposer of all events, for the manifold
Blessings bestowed upon them Individually; and to share
a due sense of those Instances of the Divine Goodness, of
which all are the common Partakers; and entirely
expressive, with unfeigned Thankfulness, their Acknow-
ledgements by public Commemoration thereof,
I have thought fit by and with the advice of the Council,
and at the request of the General Assembly, to appoint,
and I do hereby appoint Thursday the first day of
December next, to be observed as a day of public
Donation, Thanksgiving and Praise, throughout
the State. And I do hereby earnestly recommend to, and
exhort all Persons residing within the same, to
assemble at the usual Place and Places in their
respective Towns, Parishes and Districts of meeting
for Social Worship; and with Hearts suitably impressed
with the Goodness of GOD, render to him the delightful
Tribute of Donation and Praise. for Health, Competent
Unity, and Peace, and every other Blessing and Enjoyment,
whether of Providence or of Grace, national and
private. professing a dependence upon him as the
Author and Bestower of every needful Good;
and humbly manifesting a becoming Hope that no useful
Blessing, whether of a public or private nature, will be
withheld, — In a more special Manner, that deploring the
Infidelity of their Hearts, they devoutly and sincerely
acknowledge, adore and praise the transcendent

Goodness of GOD. in the Manifestation of redeeming Love
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. and ineffable Blessings
thence derived to Mankind.
It is recommended that the said Day be observed by all
Persons with decent solemnity
Given under my Hand in the Council Chamber in
Windsor. the 20th Day of October AD 1797 in the year
of our Independence

Thomas Chittenden

By his Excellency's Command
Joseph Fay secretary

GOD SAVE THE PEOPLE